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Objective

To gain an entry-level position in screenwriting, journalism, or film/television production and develop skills and network to build a career in the film industry.

Experience

Reporting Intern, The University Record

September 2011-May 2013

- Responsible for writing weekly feature stories on University staff and faculty
- Coordinated and conducted interviews with distinguished University faculty
- Covered occasional events and managed University online calendar

Media Intern, NeuroNexus Technologies

January 2012-May 2012

- Wrote, shot, and edited short demonstration videos for science firm
- Managed company's YouTube account
- Worked with marketing team to develop video advertisements for new products

Literacy Tutor, America Reads

September 2010-April 2011

- Designed personalized lesson plans for three first-grade students
- Traveled twice weekly to Detroit-area school to tutor

Supervising Editor, Lakeshore High School Drifter

August 2008-May 2009

- Created position on rebuilding high school newspaper
- Reported directly to and advised class teacher
- Had final say on all content and design of the paper
- Wrote and implemented writing style guidelines for staff

Sports Editor, Munster High School Crier

August 2007-June 2008

- Designed layout for 2-4 pages in bi-weekly newspaper using Adobe InDesign
- Assigned and edited all sports stories and photos
- Winner, Indiana High School Press Association Sportswriting Award
- First Place, Women's Press Club of Indiana Sportswriting contest

Events Staff Manager, The Heritage Center and Museum

April 2007-August 2010

- Managed staff of 3 high school students
- Handled customer requests at banquet facility
- Provided maintenance and security of history museum

Server/Host, Santaniello's Restaurant and Banquet Facilities

January 2005-May 2008

- Met requests of customers in 400-person banquet hall
- Operated cash register and sat customers in family-owned restaurant

Education

B.A., University of Michigan

July 2009-May 2013

Major: Screen Arts and Cultures Screenwriting Sub-Concentration Minor in Writing

Produced and Directed three independent short films
Directed three short plays and acted in two others
Played lead role in student-produced sitcom pilot and acted in several short plays and films
Directed short film that was screened at historic Michigan Theater, "Ann Arborland"
Classes Include: TV Studio Production, Screenwriting, TV Writing, Classical Film Theory, TV History
Participated in TV directing workshop with Mark Cendrowski of "The Big Bang Theory"
Developed comprehensive and multimodal writing portfolio

Munster High School, Indiana

Class of 2009

Graduated with High Honors (3.85+ GPA)
National Honor Society
Sports Editor of the Newspaper
Indiana High School Press Association Sportswriting Award
Women's Press Club of Indiana Sportswriting contest, First Place
3-sport Scholar Athlete, 3-time letter winner
Member of Marching Band, Jazz Band, and Wind Ensemble

Screenplays

- "The Designated Driver" comedy about a sober college student and his not-so-sober friends
- "The Love You Take" family drama about a young professional and his dying grandfather
- "ReEnactment" Civil War-era zombies invade modern-day Charleston, SC (co-writer)
- "Untitled" coming-of-age story of a quirky college freshman who joins a sorority (co-writer)
- One episode of HBO comedy "Girls"
- Two produced short plays and one unproduced short film
- "You Shook Me All Night Long" romantic comedy about an inexperienced relationship doctor

Skills

- Video Editing in Final Cut Pro
- Screenwriting Format
- Knowledge of standard TV studio and film equipment
- Conversational in Italian and Spanish
- Adobe InDesign

Community

- Coached youth softball for three years
- Coached seventh-grade football and wrestling
- Directed mental health awareness video for Willow Run Middle School in Ypsilanti, MI
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters volunteer
- Spent one semester as an aid to a disabled student